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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### SHELL TRANSPORT COMPANY.

#### CONVERSION INTO BRITISH CONCERN?

London, May 4.  
The Times understands that negotiations are progressing for making the Shell Transport and Trading Company into a purely British concern, with a view to enabling the Company to more actively participate in the development of the oil fields in Mesopotamia and other parts of the Empire. It says the close alliance of the Shell Company and the Royal Dutch group has been a factor in the discussions on the question of its participating in such development, and emphasises that in view of the powerful interests involved and the great national importance of oil, these arrangements must be most closely scrutinised publicly.

In connection with the above, it is noteworthy that the Shell Company claims to hold Turkish concessions in regard to the Mesopotamian oil fields.

#### THE POLISH OFFENSIVE.

##### FORWARD RAPIDLY AHEAD.

London, May 4.  
The fall of Kieff is not yet confirmed. Nevertheless, the Poles are undoubtedly forging ahead most rapidly. The Bolsheviks have recently admitted that since the fighting near Fastoff they have been retreating to new positions.

At present it appears that the Polish and Ukrainian objective is a line along the Dnieper, the Dniester and the Drinsk to Kherson with a view to reconquering Ukraine and obtaining a satisfactory basis for peace discussions.

It is stated that the Polish Army numbers 1,250,000 and that although ill-equipped they are fired with patriotism for their new Republic. They were recently largely clothed from American stores. Hospital arrangements are practically non-existent.

#### JOB FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS?

London, May 4.  
Press criticisms of the attitude of the Allies towards the Polish offensive were voiced in the House of Commons this afternoon by Capt. Wedgwood Benn, who suggested that the Government should refer the question of the Polish advance to the League of Nations, under Article Eleven of the Covenant.

Mr. Bonar Law, replying, emphasised that the Government was unable to advise countries adjoining Russia with regard to their course towards the Soviet Government or to accept responsibility for their actions. The Government at present was not prepared to adopt the suggestion. He pointed out that this was not the beginning of a new war. There had been no cessation of hostilities between the Poles and Bolsheviks. Article Eleven laid down that the League would act if it thought it wise or effective.

#### IMPERIAL ORGANISATION.

##### THE QUESTION OF DOMINION REPRESENTATION.

London, May 4.  
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Hurd, Mr. Bonar Law stated that there had been no development of the Imperial Cabinet organisation, since the decision was announced on August 19, 1918, with regard to Dominion Prime Ministers communicating directly with the Premier of the United Kingdom, and the Dominions being entitled to representation at meetings of the Cabinet in London. The whole matter would be discussed at the Imperial Conference which it was proposed to hold in 1921 to consider inter-Imperial constitutional relationships. In accordance with a resolution passed at the last Imperial Conference communications were maintained with the Dominions and important papers of Imperial concern were forwarded weekly for the information of Dominion Prime Ministers. The reason why no Cabinet organisation in England was continuously considering Imperial matters was that the Dominion Ministers had not thought it suitable to have a representative.

#### EX-ENEMY SHIPS.

##### WHAT BRITAIN IS USING.

London, May 4.  
It is officially stated that, excluding captured prizes, 348 ex-enemy merchantmen of a tonnage of over one million and a half tons has been detained in British ports or allocated to Britain for temporary management since the armistice. The final ownership has not yet been determined.

#### CHEAPER FOOD?

London, May 4.  
Mr. Blakemore, presiding at a Trade Conference at Bournemouth, foreshadowed cheaper food, including a reduction in butter of 6d., lard 4d., tinned beef 5d., and tinned fruits 9d. Meanwhile housewives have not yet discovered any dropping tendency. General prices, especially for drapery and other materials, are advancing weekly.

#### THE IRISH HUNGER-STRIKERS.

London, May 4.  
The Westminster Gazette, commenting on the Morning Post article on Ireland (see earlier telegrams) says until British Ministers are transformed into Prussian Junkers they will never bear the responsibility for the death, even if self-inflicted, of men most of whom are untried and unconvicted.

#### A GOOD SIGN.

##### FRENCH STRIKE CONDEMNED.

Paris, May 4.  
A significant feature of the strike is that for the first time there is a strong anti-strike movement. The Union of Discharged Soldiers of the Eastern Railway has issued a manifesto condemning the strike, which is not aimed at trade advantages but is purely political. The Government continues to arrest the principal agitators.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### WAR GRAVES IN FRANCE.

#### STONES TO LAST 3,000 YEARS.

London, May 4.  
In the House of Commons on the Imperial War Graves Commission's Vote, the question was discussed as to whether the House should adopt the Commission's proposal favouring uniformity in headstones for cemeteries in France or whether relatives should be permitted to follow their own designs.

The House generally supported Mr. Asquith, who advocated the former, without distinction between officers and men.

Mr. Churchill said that the Commission was considering the erection of a memorial in a cemetery nearest the scene of fighting on which the names of missing men would be inscribed or a Regimental memorial for a similar purpose. It was estimated that the carrying out of the Commission's scheme would take ten years whereas independent headstones could not be completed within the present generation. The Commission anticipated that their headstones would last hundreds of years.

About 2,000 stones of remembrance, weighing ten tons, and inscribed "Thy name liveth for evermore," would be erected in France alone. They would certainly exist 3,000 years hence, preserving the memory of a common purpose, and would undoubtedly excite the wonder and reverence of posterity.

An amendment in favour of independent designs was negatived, and the vote was agreed to with cheers.

#### A TOUCHING SENTIMENT.

London, May 5.  
Deep feelings have been aroused throughout the country and expressed in the House of Commons through the decision not to permit individual memorials. In many eloquent speeches it was mentioned that there would be 4,000 of these cemeteries and that it would take ten years before the work of erecting uniform pattern tombstones was completed.

The support of the House was largely won by a powerful speech by Mr. Burdett Coutts, urging that there should not be left among relatives any sense of differentiation in treatment of the dead. He said that poor people were too generous to begrudge individual memorials, but the House ought to act for a nation in mourning, so that a woman in a tenement should not be left with any sense, although unexpressed, that her man had made the greatest sacrifice and died the same death for the same cause, so why should he not have the same beautiful monument?

Mr. Coutts won the House by urging the wishes of dead officers who would not have had any difference imposed in a solemn mandate of the country. He read a letter from Mr. Rudyard Kipling, saying that the Kiplings had no grave to go to as their boy was missing at Loos where the battered ground gave not the slightest trace.

#### THIS YEAR'S COST.

Later.  
Mr. Churchill states that the cost of the Imperial War Graves Commission for the current financial year is estimated at £2,757,000, of which £515,999 will be borne by Dominions, India, and the Colonies.

#### THE JEWISH NATIONAL HOME.

London, May 4.  
Mr. Moses Gaster, Vice President of the Anglo-Jewish Association, writing in the Standard, urges that the work of founding Palestine as a Jewish State should follow the primitive example of those who established colonies in olden times. Despite hardships, trials and fears, the present schemes for the development of Palestine would mean the establishment of a British Colony for the Jewish people, where the latter shall work and be subject. He urges that the future of Palestine must be decided and defined and that there be no exploitation or philanthropy.

#### REPARATION FROM GERMANY.

##### FRANCE DISAPPROVES FIXED SUM.

Paris, May 4.  
It is stated that M. Millerand will visit London next week to arrange with Mr. Lloyd George the Spa programme.

Le Matin reports that the French delegates at Spa will refuse to accept a fixed sum for reparations due to France, but will agree to a fixed number of annual payments, with an annual minimum.

London, May 5.  
The Chancellor of the Exchequer states that he is preparing reparations claims of which the admitted amount will be notified to Germany by the Reparations Commission before May 1st next for discharge within thirty years. The Government would set aside from the first reparation received £5,000,000 for payments in certain cases to private individuals on account of losses of which there was a claim for reparation, although no legal claim existed.

## TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

### CHINA AND JAPAN.

Shanghai, May 5.  
The Peking Government has decided to deal with the Shantung question and the Military Agreement in the following manner:—In the former, to return the Japanese notification, on the ground that China has not signed the Versailles Treaty and that public opinion strongly protests against direct negotiation; in the latter, to declare that after the evacuation of the Chinese troops the Military Agreement is terminated.

#### RICE FROM MANCHURIA.

Shanghai, May 5.  
The Japanese Government, owing to the famine in Korea, has requested permission to export rice from Manchuria. The Chinese Government has not replied.

#### FUTURE OF VLADIVOSTOK.

Shanghai, May 5.  
A report from the Commissioner in Vladivostok states that the Diplomatic Body is in favour of making the port an international commercial centre.

## LUCKY HONGKONG MAN.

### BIG WINFALL FOR LOCAL PORTUGUESE.

Subsequent to the receipt of the new ticket by our Shanghai correspondent to the effect that the first prize in the Cash Sweep of the Champions Race, which was run yesterday, was won by Mr. S. A. Lopes, of the Hongkong Tramway Company, we this morning received confirmation of this item from the gentleman himself. He stated that last night he received a private telegram from his wife in Shanghai giving the news that the ticket which he bought, No. 5381, had won the record sum of \$127,388.

Mr. Lopes has a claim to two-thirds of the sum realised by the ticket, the other third being taken up by a friend. A modest man, he was disinclined to talk of himself, but our representative managed to learn that he is 31 years of age, is a married man with one child, and that he has been in the service of the Tramway Company for four years, as "a common ink-slinger," as he put it, but in reality occupying the responsible post of chief clerk.

As to his future plans in consequence of this windfall, Mr. Lopes said that the receipt of this appreciable fortune will not effect the intention he has formed of continuing to work.

According to our correspondent 25,000 tickets were sold in the event. These were bought at \$10 each. Mr. Lopes' only interest in the draw was this ticket in which he had a two-thirds share.

The Tramway Co. appears to be a "lucky" firm, for it will be remembered that some three years ago Mr. A. D. Macdonald, an employee therein, won a big sum in a local War Bond Drawing.

## DON'T FORGET.

### TO-DAY

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### SATURDAY, MAY 8.

Entertainment, R.A. Theatre—9.15 p.m.

## EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

### LUCKY HONGKONG MAN.

Shanghai, May 5.  
A record crowd watched the Champions in a pouring rain. There were big upsets, the favourites being unplaced. The winner was Bydand, Kenneth Brand riding. Second came Old Bill (Dalgarno) and third Woodland King, late Castlewood (Vida). The ponies were well bunched to the straight. Bydand, Old Bill and Woodland King left the pack 200 yards from the finish. Bydand won in the last fash.

There was a record sweep. The first prize of \$127,388 was won by S. A. Lopes, Hongkong Tramways. 25,000 tickets were sold. There was a drizzle all day, heavy rain starting while thousands watched the drawing of the ponies for the Champions. The track was not soggy but cold, and rain bothered the ponies. Silver Sweep's showing was the biggest surprise.

### AUSTRALIAN FLIGHT ABANDONED.

Singapore, May 5.  
A message from Batavia states that Captain Matthews' machine has been totally dismantled and parked. He and Sergeant Kay are waiting to sail for Australia. The former intends devoting himself to commercial flying. Kay, who broke his ribs, is now able to walk.

(Other Telegrams on Page 5.)

## OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, April 31.  
China's reception of Mr. Lamont is described as collectively rather cold but individually very warm. In a word, the attitude of the Government is not well disposed towards the Consortium. After a week-end at the Great Wall and the Ming Tombs the American financier has settled down to his conversations with the Finance Commission, but what progress, if any, has been made is not yet made public. One of the significant incidents of his visit is that on the occasion fixed for Mr. Lamont's interview with the Minister of Communications the latter went off to the hot baths at Tongshan and left the Vice-Minister to talk to the financier. These are the little things which must discourage men who come to China with the best of intentions to help the country.

This morning the new British Minister was received by President Hsu to whom he presented his letter of credence, at the same time making a brief speech in which he referred to the cordial relations which existed between the two countries. The President's reply was a very happy one. In it he spoke of the many thousands of Chinese who live in the British Colonies, which, together with the fact that the frontiers of the two countries touched, gave Britain and China a special and unique interest in the consolidation and maintenance of general peace and harmony in the region of Eastern Asia. Practically all the members of the British Legation attended the ceremony, which was a very brilliant one. Mr. Wang Kai-wen, Grand Master of Ceremonies, and Admiral Tsai Ting-kan, officiated.

Though there are indications that the Italian Government will not ignore the protest of the Chinese Government concerning the seizure at Trieste of the steamer Silesia it is not yet true to say that the vessel has been released. It is understood that the authorities at Rome are endeavouring to induce the Lloyd Triestino to withdraw its claim to the vessel.

Afghanistan whose foreign policy has hitherto been controlled by Great Britain has made overtures to China with a view to the establishment of closer relations between the two countries. Already there is an Afghan representative at Kashgar. Doubtless China will sound Great Britain before committing herself to any new treaty obligations.

## S.S. SONGMA.

### ASHORE ON A REEF.

The steamer Songma, flying between here and Haiphong, has struck a reef in the dangerous waters of the Hong-Ham Bay, which is on the coast between Hainan and Kwang Chow Wen.

With this message, which was telegraphed to the local office of the owners, Messrs. F. A. Lapetque and Company, there was added the further announcement that the vessel was held fast on the reef and that the damage consisted of a big hole, which was caused when the vessel struck the rock on Saturday whilst on the voyage to Hongkong with Chinese passengers and a general cargo.

No lives were lost, and efforts have been made to transfer the passengers ashore. It is not considered that the vessel's position is serious, though much damage has been caused to the cargo by water.

The Company has despatched its other steamer, the Hanol, to proceed to the scene from Haiphong and render assistance to the damaged vessel. She left this morning and should reach the scene of the mishap this afternoon. It is likely that if the Hanol fails to get the vessel off from her dangerous position a tug will be despatched from Hongkong.

The Songma is an old vessel which has frequently suffered from engine troubles. She is of 534 gross tons, and is commanded by Captain Alexis. The only other European on board is the Chief Engineer.

### TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 4s. 5 3/4d.

### THE WEATHER.

Forecast:—Rain. Barometer—29.55. Temperature 2 p.m.—77. Humidity 2 p.m.—87.

### REVIVAL OF FOLK GAMES.

Lecturing on "The Place of Play in Education" at the Women's Institution, Victoria-street, Dr. Jane Reaney said she was glad to know that a movement for the revival of folk games in this country was now in existence. England, declared Dr. Reaney, had the greatest collection of folk games of any country in the world, because in the past we were the greatest players of games, but these games had been lost because mothers had not had time to perform their duty.

Senor Carrio, the representative of Uruguay, will be received by the President on Monday morning. This event is interesting in connection with the fact that Uruguay is anxious to enter into treaty relations with China.

Although Japanese official communiques show that everybody else was at fault in Siberia and Manchuria with the exception of the Japanese, it is understood that the Chinese Government is considering a protest to Tokyo against the Japanese interference with the Chinese guarding of the Chinese Eastern Railway and the Japanese intervention at Haikar.

Regulations governing the entry of Germans into China will shortly be promulgated.

German requests to proceed to China must be addressed to Chinese ministers and consuls abroad and if approved they will be issued in the ordinary course. Exception is made however in respect of those Germans repatriated from China or are otherwise doubtful cases. Such applications must be referred to the War Office and the Navy Office.







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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### THE IRISH PROBLEM.

London, May 5.  
The Dublin Corporation by 15 to 10 passed a resolution acknowledging the authority of the "Mairianna," the so-called Sinn Féin Parliament, as duly elected by the Government of the Irish people and undertaking to give effect to any of its decrees affecting the Corporation.

It is understood that the recent conference of Ministers in the Government of Ireland have led to the conclusion that a change in the methods of administration are at present possible, and while the Government is anxious that the discussion on the Home Rule Bill should be carried on in an atmosphere of conciliation and goodwill, there can be no relaxation of the efforts of the Irish Government to protect life and property. Mr. Lloyd George, on his return from San Remo, approved the steps taken by his colleagues. Despite rumours to the contrary, Lord French will remain in office.

London, May 4.  
The "Morning Post" Dublin correspondent declares that British Government in Ireland is defeated and all but deposed by Sinn Féin owing to the impotence of the Irish Executive. The facts of the situation are withheld from the British people. The correspondent states the Sinn Féin hunger strike policy had been broken by the Government's firmness, when the sudden reversal of policy undid the work of long anxious months. Furthermore the House of Commons was recently told that parades had been exacted from the hunger strikers. This was a fiction. He declares Lord French must resign as his return to Ireland will be interpreted as the final object surrender to Sinn Féin. He points out that loyal servants of the Crown who are risking their lives in carrying on their duties have been overthrown by hunger strikers and have been delivered to the Sinn Féin's vengeance. The partial transfer of the responsibility of the Government and the authority of the information.

### FRENCH RAILWAY STRIKES.

Paris, May 4.  
It appears that a large proportion of railway men and women have no intention of obeying the strike order. The latest news indicates an improved situation on the railways but the outlook as regards the dockers and seamen is serious. There have been several attempts at sabotage on the railways. In one case a train was derailed and the volunteer driver killed.

Paris, May 3.  
May Day in Paris was a failure from the point of view of the Labour Extremists. The public services were maintained and despite the fact that railway workers are endeavouring to obtain railway nationalisation and are supposed to have declared a general strike on the railway systems, trains were running almost normally. There were the usual manifestations in the streets, mostly near the Place République, by gangs of youths who were without the slightest connection with any trades union organisation and disowned by Labour leaders. They stoned a few trains, omnibuses and policemen, some using revolvers. Two passers-by were killed. However, though the railway strike is a failure, the General Labour Confederation will send strike orders to the seamen, dockers and miners. So far as the miners are concerned the outlook looks bright, the workers having just received satisfaction of their latest demand. The secretary of the Loire Miners Federation yesterday issued instructions to continue work and miners in the North France coalfields went back to work. The attitude of the seamen and dockers appears more doubtful. The crews of three steamers went ashore at Marseille and the departure of the liner from France for New York was cancelled. Regarding the railway strike the Ministry of Public Works said the situation was excellent, the strike being a complete "washout". Services were still better yesterday than the day before and very little difficulty was experienced by passengers. Havas.

### SENSATIONAL SUICIDE.

New York, May 4.  
Work Department of Justice officials were examining Tony Tardis in connection with bombing outrages which occurred in June 1919. Tardis committed suicide by throwing himself from the fourth story of the heart of the business district. Tardis confessed to participation in anarchist plots which attempted were made to destroy the house of Mr. Palmer, Attorney General. It is reported the Government will establish a case against the conspirators.

### ALLEGATION AGAINST C. W. MORSE.

New York, May 4.  
Charles W. Morse has been indicted for violating the Act prohibiting the sale of American registered vessels to foreigners. It is alleged that in August, 1917 he sold the steamship John G. McLaughlin to the French Protectorate of Tunis for \$200,000.

### U.S. POLITICIANS AND PRESIDENT.

Washington, May 4.  
Senator Lodge has inserted in the official records a declaration signed by a number of prominent politicians re-asserting "The reflections recently made by President Wilson upon our ancient ally France, and also upon Italy." This is apropos President Wilson's recent statement in which he said the militant party had obtained power in France.

### AMERICANS MURDERED IN MEXICO.

Washington, May 3.  
Destroyers have been ordered to Vera Cruz and Tampico to protect Americans and foreigners owing to two Americans named Greenlaw, father and son, having been killed. The Mexican Government has been requested to apprehend and punish the guilty parties immediately.

### THE ANTI-TRUST CASE.

New York, May 2.  
The Supreme Court has refused the Government's request for a rehearing of the anti-trust suit against the United States Steel Corporation.

### COTTON MILL STRIKE.

New Bedford, Mass., May 4.  
Twenty thousand employees in the cotton mills struck. The town has been ordered to attend more looms.

### OKLAHOMA STORM.

Muskegon, Okla., May 4.  
Eight were killed and many injured in a storm which destroyed Bege. Scarcely a house was left standing.

### AN ARAB RAID.

Tetrahon, May 4.  
Bedouins raided Jericho and drove out the garrison.

## DECIMAL SYSTEM REJECTED.

### 2 AND PENNY ESSENTIAL.

By a majority the Royal Commission which has been inquiring into the matter have decided against the adoption of the decimal system of coinage by England.

"In our opinion," say the majority of the Commission, "a large part, including the least instructed portion of the community, reckons its income in terms of shillings and pence, and we are satisfied it is idle to expect that the public would readily accept the disturbance created by the interference with their habits and the basis of their established notions of value by a change for which they have expressed no desire and which will not benefit them except in so far as they keep accounts."

An alteration of the established system, it is pointed out, could not be made as an experiment.

The two schemes before the Commission were contained in Lord Southwark's Bill, which retained the 2 sterling, with every coin as a thousandth part or multiple of a thousandth part in value of a sovereign, the parts to be called "mils"; and Lord Leverhulme's Bill, which took the halfpenny as its lowest unit and provided a unit of 100 halfpennies, described as a "Royal."

The majority of the Commission held that it would be most unwise to adopt any scheme which would involve the displacement of the sovereign. The "Royal" scheme had obviously a great advantage over the "pound and mil" so far as domestic convenience was concerned but it involved the abandonment of the 2, and for that reason was ruled out of court.

In the pound and mil scheme, on the other hand there was no exact equivalent of the penny. The penny is still the real popular standard of value on which small transactions are based.

The advantage to be gained by a change to the pound and mil scheme is in no way commensurate with the loss of the convenience of the existing system for other purposes," conclude the majority of the Commissioners.

Lord Ashton of Hyde and Mr. Charles Godfrey sign the majority report with certain reservations. There are two minority reports in favour of a change on the lines of Lord Southwark's Bill signed by Lord Southwark, Mr. Harold Cox, Mr. Theo. McKenna and Mr. Gilbert C. Vyle; and the other in favour of the "Royal" scheme signed by Lord Leverhulme, Mr. George Haythorpe and Captain Albert Smith.

## GERMAN PROPERTY IN EGYPT.

### PROVISIONS FOR LIQUIDATION.

Lord Allenby has issued a proclamation enacting that the Order in Council of January 22, which declared the provisions of the Peace Treaty with Germany were applicable in respect to the property of German nationals under his Majesty's control in Egypt, shall have the same force in Egypt in regard to persons not subject to his Majesty's jurisdiction.

The proclamation vests all property in Egypt belonging to German nationals at the date the Treaty came into force in the Official Custodian of Egypt, subject to certain reservations. It orders the Custodian as soon as practicable to liquidate all such property, and details the procedure to be adopted.

It institutes a German Liquidation Fund into which the Custodian shall credit the moneys belonging to German nationals, as well as the net proceeds of the liquidations and fair proportion of the accumulated profits of the management, and to this fund the Custodian will debit payment of the claims of British nationals in respect to property in German, Austro-Hungarian, or Turkish territory. British nationals resident in or carrying on business in Egypt enjoy priority of claims over other British nationals. Egyptian nationals resident in or carrying on business in Egypt share on the same terms.

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## CHINA'S PLACE IN THE NEW WORLD.

## ENGLISH ALMOST SECOND MOTHER TONGUE.

Mr. George Renwick writes to the *Daily Chronicle* from Berlin as follows:—

China has not had a great deal of attention paid to her during the war; the fascinating East has been veiled by the battle-smoke of the grim, warring West. I have found it interesting, therefore, to have a talk with Mr. Yen who was China's Minister here before the war and who halted in Berlin en route from his post at Copenhagen to Peking for a long-postponed holiday.

## CHAT IN ENGLISH.

Mr. Yen is a delightful personality, speaking English with really amazing fluency, and having a wonderfully intimate knowledge of world politics.

"How has China been affected by the war?" I asked. "It has not, of course," Mr. Yen replied, "made such a deep mark in China as in other countries more definitely engaged in the struggle."

"Naturally, the long war did great harm to our trade; in the latter stages the great Russian market was shut against China's tea, and our silk trade generally decreased a great deal. The worst effect has been enforced absence of foreign capital from the country. As a result some of the railways have stopped working."

## EMBARRASSING WEALTH.

"Yes; the cost of living has gone up by 30 per cent. I should say but wages have increased, too, so that we have escaped comparatively lightly in that direction."

"But we are troubled by the rate of exchange."

"When I was in Berlin before the war I used to receive two marks for our silver dollar; yesterday I got a hundred marks. 'Our dollar,' Mr. Yen went on, with a smile, 'is perhaps the most valuable coin of its kind in the world.'"

"But that is not an unmixed blessing. The first Chinese ship to reach Europe arrived at Rotterdam a few days ago. When it left China its cargo of silk, tea, etc., was valued at about 30 per cent Chinese dollar; now the rate is about 90, and the cargo very naturally cannot be disposed of."

## ELUSIVE IDEALS.

Speaking of the Versailles Treaty (which China has not yet signed owing to difficulties about the Shantung question), Mr. Yen referred to the League of Nations. "We were vastly interested in this great idea," he declared.

"You see, the Chinese are a sentimental race. By age-long tradition, and by all our teaching, we believe in moral forces; our whole philosophy is founded on the ideal of morality."

So the Chinese regarded the League of Nations as a splendid realization of their ideals, and we are rather disappointed that it has not developed as rapidly as appeared probable at first."

## DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF.

"And internal conditions in China, Mr. Yen?"

"We are still divided into two," was the reply. "In the North the provinces are behind the Peking Government, with Mr. Hsu as the head; four provinces in the South give allegiance to the Canton Government, headed by a committee of seven."

"Briefly, the quarrel was about the dissolution of the previous Peking Parliament. Its successors sit there, and the old one sits in Canton."

"Several provinces between the two divisions remain neutral; and we hope that negotiations may soon bring both sides together again."

## VANISHED PEACOCK THRONE.

"No," Mr. Yen continued, "I do not think there is any chance of a restoration of the royal dynasty. I think the present system is much better for the country and much more generally supported than the old."

"Our aristocracy of birth is not an important factor; our real aristocracy is that of intellect. Mr. Hsu, and such men belong to that class, and they represent that enlightened China which alone can hope to progress."

## NO FEAR OF THE REDS.

"And does China fear Bolshevism, now that the Red armies have swept along her frontiers to Vladivostok?" I asked.

"No, I do not think we have anything to fear from that. The great masses of people are fairly

## NOTICE.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.  
SATURDAY, MAY 8th.  
TEA DANCING FROM 4 TO 7 P.M. DINNER DANCE FROM 8 P.M.

SUNDAY, MAY 9th.  
Orchestral Concerts during Tiffin and Afternoon.

## PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Wednesday, the 5th May, 1920, commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Sale Rooms, 6 Duddell Street

125 pieces Brass Rods 1 1/2, 63, 459

Terms: Cash on delivery.

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Auctioneers.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, DELI.

The Steamship

"VAN WAERWYCK"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., whence and or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 13th of May will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th of May at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVACHINA JAPAN LUN. Agents.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1920.

contented, and though there has been a certain amount of propaganda, it has met with no success."

Mr. Yen went on to speak of opportunities for foreign enterprise in China.

"We look to England especially to help us in this direction."

"Such opportunities will become greater as enlightened modernism advances. And it is advancing."

You will be interested to know that among the educated classes the English language is becoming so general as to be regarded almost as a second mother tongue."

And said Mr. Yen, in conclusion, "Let me say a word in praise of the work done by your missionaries. They are fine men and women, and China owes more than it can repay to their self-denying efforts."

"But it is a great pity that the war has made the world such a great place again. Before the war one could travel from Peking to Berlin in 11 days. Now my journey will take 55 days."

"In our efforts to advance we hope England and China, with so many common interests, may be very closely bound together."

## PRISON FOR D.C.M. OFFICER.

In sentencing Harold Dunstan Penn, D.C.M., aged 43, a lieutenant in the Royal Air Force, lately employed as Stores Officer at the Hounslow Depot, to four months imprisonment in the second division for stealing Government motor-cars, the Common Sergeant at the Old Bailey said it was a very sad thing for him to have to punish a man who had served his King loyally and bravely. "I know the conviction means ruin to you," the Judge added. "But you were in a position of trust, and abused it."

## NOTICE.

KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY. (British Section).

The PUBLIC is notified that the trains advertised to leave Kowloon at 2.30 p.m. and Shum Chun at 9.04 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays are liable to be cancelled in wet weather.

By Order,  
H. P. WINSLOW,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 6th May, 1920.

## NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENNIS KERIB MOSS, DECEASED.

All persons having claims against or owing monies to the above estate are requested to notify the undersigned.

For and on behalf of the Executors.

E. A. M. WILLIAMS.

c/o Lowe, Bingham and Matthews.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1920.

## NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that on the 21st May, at the Treasury of Macao, at 3 p.m. tenders are invited by verbal competition for the Monopoly of Opium, for the period of three years, commencing from 1st August 1920 to 31st July 1923.

All the terms and conditions for the tender can be obtained on application at the Portuguese Consulate in Hongkong, or at the Treasurer's Department in Macao.

PLINIO TINOCO, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Office of Macao, 22nd April, 1920.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs. Thoresen & Co. to sell by Public Auction on

Tuesday, the 18th May, 1920, commencing at 3 p.m.

at their Sale Rooms, Duddell Street.

The Steamer "DAGMAR"

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NOTICE. HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

Members are reminded that the Nomination for Officers and N.C.O.s, having now been received, Balloting for the various Companies will take place at Headquarters on the following dates and times. Ballot papers will be issued at Headquarters.

Artillery Company 6.15 p.m. Monday, 10th May.

Engineer Company 6.15 p.m. Tuesday, 11th May.

Machinist Gun Company 6.15 p.m. Wednesday, 12th May.

Infantry and Light Infantry Companies 6.15 p.m. Thursday, 13th May.

Scottish Company 6.15 p.m. Thursday, 13th May.

Mounted Infantry Coy. 6.15 p.m. Thursday, 13th May.

Reserve Company 6.15 p.m. Friday, 14th May.

G. F. E. RAPSON, B.T., Major.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Hongkong, 3rd May, 1920.

THE MITSUBI BUSSAN KAISHA LTD. Agents. Hongkong, 5th May, 1920.

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## NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 51st ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings on FRIDAY 21st MAY, 1920 at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December 1919 and of declaring Dividends etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th May to 21st May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. P. HAY,

Deputy General Manager.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1920.

## NOTICE.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE BRANCH, KOWLOON.

Pitman's Shorthand Evening Classes.

A class for young men will commence on Monday 3rd May. For particulars apply by letter to the above address.

## NOTICE.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The Adjourned General Meeting of Members will be held in the Chamber of Commerce room, City Hall, on Monday 10th May at 5.15 p.m.

By Order of the Committee.

L. S. GREENHILL,

Hon. Secretary.

## NOTICE.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The thirty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday the 25th May 1920, at 11.30 a.m. The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 11th May to the 25th May, both days inclusive.

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General Agents. Hongkong, 3rd May, 1920.

## NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 47th ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on FRIDAY 21st May 1920, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December 1919, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 8th May to 21st May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. P. HAY,

Deputy General Manager.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1920.

## NOTICE.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 34th ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Friday, 21st MAY 1920, at 1.45 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December 1919 and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th May to 21st May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. P. HAY,

Deputy General Manager.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1920.

## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-First Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Buildings, on Saturday, 22nd May 1920, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 29th February 1920, and electing Directors and Auditors. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th to the 22nd May 1920, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1920.



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| <b>OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.</b><br><p>From JAPAN PORTS.</p> <p>The Company's Steamship<br/>"HAVANA MARU"</p> <p>having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf &amp; Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.</p> <p>Goods not cleared by the 11th May, 1920 will be subject to rent.</p> <p>Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative, and the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Saturday. All claims must be presented within Thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.</p> <p>No fire insurance whatever will be effected.</p> <p>Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignatures immediately.</p> <p><b>OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.</b><br/>Y. YASUDA,<br/>Manager.<br/>Hongkong, 5th May, 1920.</p> | <p><b>THE BANK LINE LTD.</b></p> <p>NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.</p> <p><b>AMERICAN &amp; MANCHURIAN LINE.</b></p> <p>From NEW YORK.</p> <p>The Steamship<br/>"KAZEMBE"</p> <p>having arrived, Consignees of cargo are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous Godowns of Holsa Wharf, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.</p> <p>No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the May 5th, will be subject to rent.</p> <p>All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before May 12th 1920, or they will not be recognized.</p> <p>All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday &amp; Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within the free storage period.</p> <p>No Fire Insurance has been effected.</p> <p>Bills of Lading will be countersigned by</p> <p><b>THE BANK LINE LTD.</b><br/>General Agents.<br/>Hongkong, 29th April, 1920.</p>                                                                                                                                    | <p>NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.</p> <p><b>THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.</b></p> <p>From SOURABAYA, via<br/>SAMARANG &amp; SINGAPORE.</p> <p>The Steamship<br/>S.S. "LAKE ONAWA"</p> <p>having arrived from the above mentioned ports, consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must take immediate delivery of same alongside, and all cargo impeding discharge will be landed at their risk and expense into the hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd and stored at consignees' risk.</p> <p>Consignees must produce an Import Permit before bill of lading can be countersigned.</p> <p>All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be landed in the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf &amp; Godown Co.'s godowns, where they will be examined on May 6th, 1920 at 2.30 p.m. by Carmichael &amp; Clarke.</p> <p>All claims must be presented within 10 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.</p> <p>No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after May 7th, will be subject to rent.</p> <p>No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.</p> <p>Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for countersignature.</p> <p><b>THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.</b><br/>Operators, U.S. Shipping Board<br/>Hongkong, 1st May, 1920.</p> | <p>NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.</p> <p><b>THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.</b></p> <p>The Steamship<br/>S.S. "M. S. DOLLAR"</p> <p>having arrived from Vancouver, B.C. and ports on May 2, 1920, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited and stored at consignees' risk.</p> <p>All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns until Thursday, May 6th, 1920, when they will be examined by Messrs Carmichael &amp; Clarke at 2.30 p.m. Thursday May 1920.</p> <p>Claims will not be accepted unless cargo is so examined by said Surveyors, prior to the above date.</p> <p>All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they will not be recognized.</p> <p>No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. All goods remaining after May 9th, 1920, will be subject to rent.</p> <p>No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.</p> <p>Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for countersignature.</p> <p><b>THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.</b><br/>Agents.<br/>Hongkong, 3rd May, 1920.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p>NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.</p> <p><b>OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.</b><br/>AND<br/><b>CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.</b></p> <p>Consignees per Co's Steamer<br/>"LAERTES"</p> <p>are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holsa Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 5th May.</p> <p>Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.</p> <p>All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.</p> <p>No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th May, will be subject to rent.</p> <p>All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 25th May, or they will not be recognized.</p> <p>No Fire Insurance will be effected.</p> <p><b>BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE.</b><br/>Agents.<br/>Hongkong, 5th May, 1920.</p>   | <p><b>TOYO KISEN KAISHA.</b></p> <p>NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.</p> <p>S.S. "SEIYO MARU"</p> <p>From SAN FRANCISCO via<br/>HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS &amp; MANILA.</p> <p>From SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, &amp; JAPAN PORTS.</p> <p>The above named Steamer having arrived, consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery from alongside.</p> <p>Cargo remaining undelivered on Sunday the 2nd May 1920, at 3 p.m. will be landed at consignees' risk and expenses, and delivery must then taken from the Company's Godown.</p> <p>Storage charges will be assessed on all cargo remaining undelivered on Monday, the 10th May 1920, at 3 p.m.</p> <p>No Fire Insurance whatever, will be effected.</p> <p>No Claims will be recognized after the goods have left the steamer or Godown.</p> <p>All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into Company's Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, the 10th May, 1920 at 11 a.m.</p> <p>No claim will be recognized if filed three weeks after landing of cargo.</p> <p><b>Y. TSUTSUMI.</b><br/>Manager.<br/>Hongkong, 3rd May, 1920.</p> | <p><b>THE ROBERT DOLLAR CO.</b></p> <p>Operators, U.S. Shipping Board<br/>Hongkong, 1st May, 1920.</p> <p><b>"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.</b></p> <p>NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.</p> <p>From MIDDLESBRO, LONDON and STRAITS.</p> <p>The Steamship<br/>"BENDORAN"</p> <p>Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong &amp; Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.</p> <p>No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.</p> <p>All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 15th inst. or they will not be recognized.</p> <p>All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst. at 10 a.m.</p> <p>No Fire Insurance has been effected.</p> <p>Bills of Lading will be countersigned by</p> <p><b>GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.</b><br/>Agents.<br/>Hongkong, 4th May, 1920.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>LABOUR AND LIQUOR CONTROL.</b></p> <p><b>REPORT ON CARLISLE EXPERIMENT.</b></p> <p>The members of the trade union and Labour movements who recently visited Carlisle to examine the Liquor Control Board's experiment in that area have now issued their report. They conclude that the Board is to be congratulated on "a most remarkable achievement," which has more than justified itself.</p> <p>"It has proved," the signatories agree, "that State enterprise is not necessarily inefficient, that the elimination of private profit and competition may mean the elimination of waste, that public ownership is an effective means of reducing excessive drinking, and that a State-owned enterprise may be conducted with imagination and public spirit."</p> <p>"It is a fact that a very large section of the people of this country consume alcoholic beverages, and that this must be taken into account in the future policy of the nation. We believe that the real line of advance is in the direction pointed out by the Carlisle scheme."</p> <p>"In view of the fact that the powers under which the liquor trade has been regulated during and since the war will shortly lapse, the Government must introduce a Liquor Bill this season. We would urge the organized Labour movement to press vigorously for the immediate extension of the principles of the Carlisle experiment to the whole country."</p> <p>"We hope that the influence of the organized Labour movement will be brought to bear upon the Government to ensure that an end is put to the system of</p> |

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dealing with the profits should not be regarded as permanent. Social activities in connection with the Carlisle scheme are reported as indicating possibilities which might well be realised in other parts of the area. The "Globe Inn" at Longtown is described as a building which conveys "an impression of honest craftsmanship which is too rare to-day, reminiscent of William Morris, and a worthy example of what places of public resort should be like."

The party express their appreciation of the fact that the Control Board has shown a liberal spirit in providing accommodation for trade union bodies, incidentally proving that such bodies meet on licensed premises through necessity rather than choice; and the hope that in any extension of the experiment the idea of using a redundant licensed house for workers' meetings will be borne in mind.

The earnings of the Control Board's employees are reported to stand favourable comparison with those of employees in the drink trade generally, except in the case of some managers. The members of the deputation were not attracted to the principle of payment by commission, but believed that the Board is wise in paying commissions on food and non-intoxicants sold until the experiment is established, and that then fixed salaries for managers should begin.

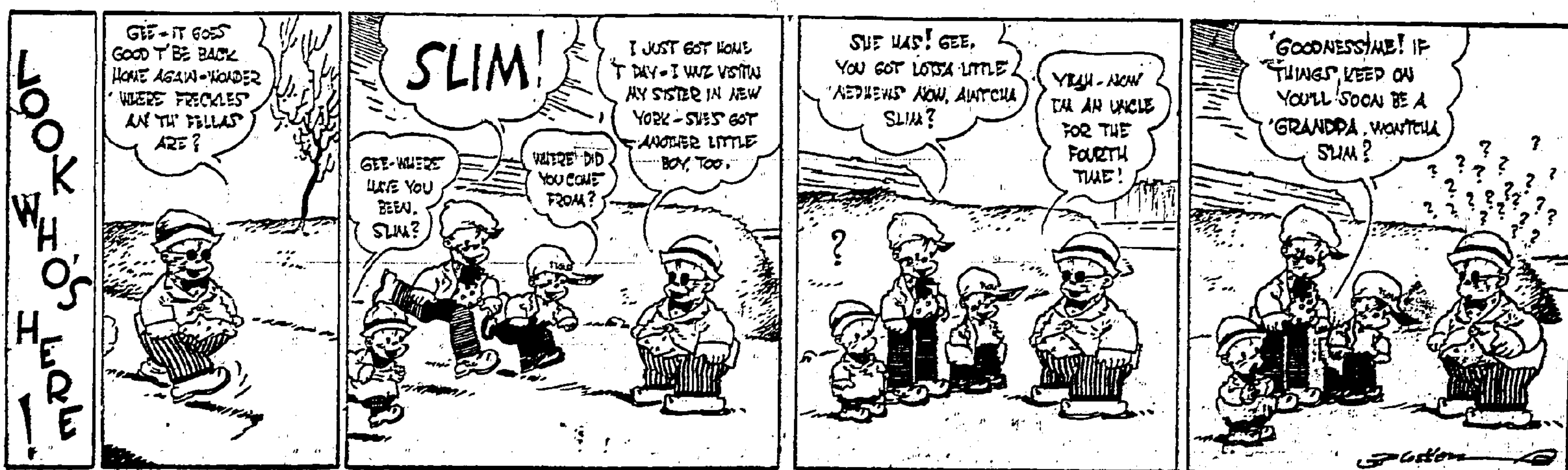
Commenting on the Local Advisory Committee, the report states that there should be adequate representation of working-class organisations and of women upon it. The reduction in convictions for drunkenness was regarded as a great gain.

The report is signed by Mr. Charles G. Ammon, Dr. Ethel Bentham, Mr. A. Boyd, Mr. Fred Bramley, Miss Mary Carlin, and Messrs D. Carmichael, H. H. Elvin, Harry Gosling, J. Henderson, John Hill, P. C. Hoffman, J. M. Mactavish, P. C. Middleton, J. W. Ogden, Edward R. Pease, G. Ridley, and Robert Young, M.P.

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## The Hongkong Telegraph

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## TAXATION DIFFICULTIES.

With the recent increase in the Excess Profits Tax and the proposal to substitute that impost later on by a tax on Limited Companies, we are wondering what is likely to happen to the idea of taxing profits made during the war and of raising a levy on capital. At a time like the present, when the country's financial position badly needs bolstering up, both the one proposal and the other appear attractive and in some respects quite reasonable. But the question to be decided (and we have never yet seen it adequately dealt with) is whether schemes such as these are workable and whether they can be put into operation without doing more injustice than good. Some years ago, when Mr. Lloyd George was decidedly more of a Radical than he is to-day, much was made of the injustice of individuals profiting through the efforts of the community. It was said to be an unfair thing that a man who bought a plot of arable or grazing land nowhere in particular should suddenly find himself wealthy because he had done nothing and other people flocked to the neighbourhood in which his property was situated, so making it into valuable sites for houses and factories. Sometimes the process of enhancement of value took centuries. But the principle was the same. Mr. Lloyd George saw what he conceived to be a hardship on the community that one man should benefit from the activities of others, and he attacked the unearned increment problem by the taxation of land values. But even that legislation has not been a success. It was soon made clear that the machinery for assessment and gathering in was so huge that the game is not worth the candle. May not that happen when it comes to taxing war profits?

To a certain extent, one class of war profiteer is like the landowner referred to above. Many people have made huge sums out of war conditions merely by sitting on stocks of badly-wanted articles, knowing that there was a shortage, and that prices must go up. But, though we would like to see such as these taxed, there are many other classes, and justice would demand that each class should have separate consideration, possibly even a different rate of levy. On this point, a Home shipping paper takes the case of the shipowner—one of the classes of people who are most often pilloried in conversation. The work of the shipowner throughout the war was of vital importance to the country, says this journal. Its importance is not less since peace has been attained. The shipowner has made his gains in a far different way from that by which either of the other classes we have named have won their wealth. Throughout the war he had difficulties which might well have been considered insuperable. Courage, resource, and above all knowledge of commercial conditions, and especially of the business of shipowning, were essential to carry him through. England is not going to shut down her commerce now that the war is apparently won. She must begin a harder commercial struggle under new and, to a large extent, unknown conditions. The men who proved themselves so capable in war time are the men she wants now. Is she going to deprive these men of the means to maintain and amplify the business which is essential not only to her own greatness, but to her very existence? Is she going to penalise them for being capable and courageous? So could the point be taken further and applied to many other classes likely to be affected. It would be obviously unjust to tax all persons at the same rate, because the business means by which wealth has been acquired all differ.

It is clear that to enforce a war-profit tax or a capital levy the case of every individual would have to be examined with the utmost minuteness. Not only would his business affairs have to be investigated, but his personal expenditure be gone through by public authorities. Staffs even larger than those now considered necessary by Government Departments would really be needed to deal with these cases, and it would be years, if not centuries, before all the investigations could be closed. Vast discretion would have to be allowed to those who were entrusted with these investigations, and the room for mistakes, hardships, and even for favourites, would be large indeed. The whole point is that it is difficult, if not impossible, to evolve a scheme to touch solely the cases of the real profiteer. It looks as though inequality is a law of nature, and that, hard as it is, that one man should gain when others suffer, the thing is unavoidable.

## NOTES &amp; COMMENTS.

## MIXED PRINCIPLES.

America is notorious as a land of mixed nationalities; it is a people made up of many peoples, and by its very free system, of individual liberty it is a land where people soon become imbued with the great national spirit of the country and become American. But we fear that it is a country of mixed ideas too—at least it is hard for us to understand recent happenings if there is claimed to be any consistency of principles. A telegram came to hand yesterday in which we were told that that notorious Jim Larkin had been sentenced to a long term of imprisonment. This Irish rebel had previously been given pretty wide scope in his anti-British campaign, had sold "Irish Liberty Bonds" in the name of a Republic that will probably never exist, but thank goodness he has been now roped in on a charge of a narchy. It was about time. We recently received a few pictures from the United States, showing a march of Sinn Féin sympathisers in Washington and among some the banners displayed were—"Americans cannot afford to maintain treaties with English assassins." "America becomes a partner to the crime of assassinating the Irish People by silent consent." Another banner made comparison between the British attempt to keep order in Ireland and the Armenian massacres, close to which was a banner bearing the comparatively harmless platitude "The first duty of a real American is to aid any people struggling to be free." The picture showed that the procession was mainly composed of women.

## A CONTRAST.

Whilst the American Government, with which Great Britain is supposed to be friendly, permits such a ridiculously lying and libellous display of permits by an excess of freedom a flagrant insult to a friendly Power, it has recently acted in regard to elected Socialists of the New York State Assembly in a manner that has rightly brought forth a positive flood of protest. The only ground on which these men were thrown out of the Assembly was that they were Socialists. It would almost seem that Liberty had lost its meaning. The following interesting comment on the matter, culled from an American newspaper to hand, is worth reprinting:—"The New York State Assembly has done its best to encourage red radicalism in the United States. By voting to throw out the five Socialist assemblymen, duly elected to office, on the ground that membership in the Socialist party constituted in itself a disqualification for office, the Assembly has dealt a staggering blow to representative government. The 115 members who voted for expulsion have virtually said to every man and woman Socialist in the United States: 'You cannot present your plan of change in an orderly, parliamentary, democratic manner. The wild-eyed radicals who have been saying that it was foolish to try to remedy any existing conditions by going to the ballot-box were right. We will not allow your ideas to be presented. You cannot vote for men of your own choosing.' Charles Evans Hughes and Theodore Roosevelt were among the hosts of distinguished Americans who protested against the Legislature's wanton betrayal of representative government. The Assembly members who voted to oust the Socialists convicted themselves as traitors to fundamental American principles. The action of the Assembly, by closing the door to political action, has invited those who are discontented with existing conditions to resort to 'direct action.' It has given the I.W.O. an argument which to base their tirades against American institutions."

## THE NEED FOR HARMONY.

Comparing this with what has been countenanced and supported in the matter of Irish propaganda it is indeed a mixed state of affairs. No-one would deny to America or to any other country the right of giving asylum to people who are dissatisfied with their own lands. Britain has long been the asylum of Europe, and it is a privilege that Britons are proud of. But there must always be displayed a reasonable regard for the feelings of friendly nations; an insistence on truth; and a consistency of action. We view it as a very great pity that there has been allowed to develop a wide

## DAY BY DAY.

## ACQUINING PERSON TRIUMPHS IN DECEIVING; A GENTLEMAN IS HUMILIATED BY HIS SUCCESS.

There was a clean bill of health in Hongkong yesterday.

The a.s. Szechuen, a new China Navigation boat, is to be launched at Talkoo on Saturday at 11.30 a.m.

Another American, this time a member of the crew of the transport President Grant, was fined \$5, or seven days, for being drunk and incapable at Wanchai.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak will make an exhaustive study of political affairs of North China during his stay in Shanghai. He will return to the Colony some two months hence.

There was not the necessary quorum at yesterday's meeting of the Marine Engineers Guild, and the Branch Secretary asks us to make it known that the meeting will now be held on Friday, the 7th instant, at 5.45 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stubbs, the acting American Consul and others were entertained to dinner on board the President Grant to-day at which the General Commanding the Czechoslovak troops was also present.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong, who left by the Empress of Russia, this morning, is going to Peking after a sojourn of a week or so in Shanghai. He has not seen Peking for nearly fifteen years, and he will study the conditions in that city. He will remain there for three months.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Empress of Russia to-day were Bishop and Mrs. Lander, Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Moxon, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock and Mrs. Pollock, Mr. S. B. C. Ross, Hon. Sir Paul and Lady Chater, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Geddes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Forbes, Mr. H. E. Maslin and Mr. A. Weill.

We are asked to inform those attending the entertainment at the R.A. Theatre on Friday and Saturday as to the best means of getting to Victoria Barracks:—(1) From Queen's Road level: Up Seven and Sixpenny Hill (in front of Wellington Barracks). (2) From the Lower Peak Tram Station level: The road between Murray Barracks and the Detention Barracks leads straight to the theatre. There will be a rich stand outside the Detention Barracks.

The marriage took place quietly at the St. George's Registry Office, Hanover Square, on March 5, of Lieutenant-Colonel John Robert Campbell Heathcote, of the Cameron Highlanders, and Squadron Commander, Royal Flying Corps, son of the Rev. John Cuthbert Heathcote and of Lady Eva Campbell Heathcote, of Brent Knoll Manor, Somerset, and Miss Mary Brandt of Shanghai. Hongkong people will most probably remember Col. Campbell Heathcote when as A.D.C. to General Broadwood, he captained the Hongkong Polo Team, which defeated Shanghai in 1909.

At the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon the Bishop and Mrs. Lander were "at home" to say farewell to their many friends. During the evening, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, on behalf of the members of the congregation of St. John's Cathedral, presented to Mrs. Lander a silver writing set and to the Bishop a silver salver suitably inscribed together with a cheque for \$500. The members of the congregation of St. Andrew's at the same time presented a blackwood tray inlaid with silver on blackwood stand, and also a cheque. The Bishop expressed his deep gratitude for the kind gifts.

divergence of sympathies between American and British peoples and such matters as referred to above do, unfortunately, only help to widen the breach. There is not one reason for anything but harmony between the two great countries; there is every reason why they should, hand in hand, make common progress and a unified contribution towards the uplift of mankind.

## J. P.'S ELECTION.

## MR. A. R. LOWE RETURNED.

There was not much interest taken in last evening's election of a Justice of the Peace to serve on the Legislative Council during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C. The voting was confined to the Unofficial J.P.'s, of whom there are 141, many being at present absent from the Colony. In all there were 68 votes polled, two papers being spoiled. There were two candidates—Mr. A. R. Lowe and Mr. T. F. Hough, and the result was as follows:—

Mr. A. R. Lowe ... 40  
Mr. T. F. Hough ... 28  
Majority for Mr. Lowe ... 14

The election took place at the Supreme Court, Mr. R. O. Hutchison being the Returning Officer, assisted by Major Willson. Both candidates were present to hear the declaration of the poll, as also were the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, Mr. Justice Wood, Dr. Sanders and Mr. C. D. Melbourne.

## BISHOP LANDER DEPARTS.

## CHILD "SLAVERY" QUESTION.

The best wishes of Hongkong people go with Bishop and Mrs. Lander on their departure for Home on the Empress of Russia to-day.

To a representative of the Hongkong Telegraph, Bishop Lander stated that he was leaving for good. He will participate in the Episcopal Conference at Home at which he will bring forward for discussion the growth of the English Church in China, and the financial needs of the Missions here. His Lordship also informed us that he will endeavour to get into touch with Colonel Ward when he reaches Home and confer with him on the question of child "slavery" in the Colony, a subject which was dealt with in a recent sermon of his at the Cathedral.

## DENNISTON CO.

## ANOTHER SUCCESS.

In their presentation of "Baby Mine" last night the Denniston Company scored another success and enhanced the already fine estimation which has been formed of their abilities. A galaxy of life and laughter, the play is a farce pure and simple, and it speaks much for the ability of the Company that they were able to keep the audience last night in a continuous state of merriment.

The play centres round the efforts of Zole, the light-hearted wife of Alfred Hardy, to regain her husband's favour which has been lost on account of her butterfly disposition, and of the fact that they are childless. With the assistance of her resourceful friend, Aggie, and the latter's husband, Jimmy, she purloins a baby and presents it to Alfred as his own. The mother of the baby, a Cockney woman, threatens to upset their plans by her anxiety to take back her child, and Jimmy is deputed by the ladies to obtain another baby and make the substitution. The one absorbing idea is to keep Alfred away while the substitution takes place, but at the crucial moment he comes in and, to save the situation, Zole informs him that it is the other twin. The plan of taking away the first baby has to be carried out, and Jimmy is again persuaded much against his will, to procure another baby. Alfred again comes in at the moment when the substitution takes place, and Zole in despair tells him that the baby is the third of triplets. The father, now almost frantic with happiness, is informed that the idea in introducing him to the babies in turn is to break the news to him gradually, as the sudden knowledge that he was the father of triplets might prove a shock to him.

As Zole, Miss Florence Chapman has made an ideal study of her part, and her acting was absolutely perfect. Equally capable were the other members of the cast.

To-night there is a repeat performance of "Nightie Night."

## POSTAL SCANDAL.

## EXTRACTIONS FROM LETTERS.

An extraordinary compact between a postman and another Chinese for the conversion of the contents of letters sent through the local Post Office to their own profit has been exposed by the Police in consequence of the arrest of the latter man. The identity of the postman still remains a mystery, this being due to the reticence of his accomplice, who offers a story which purports to show that he carried out the plans unaided.

After investigations into this peculiar case, the Police were able to-day to give a tangible story of how numbers of letters were opened before they reached their destination, and the contents turned to the criminals' advantage. It appears that the postman was in the habit of receiving money from the arrested man for every letter addressed in Chinese which he brought to him. If the latter in question contained reference to money, as for example an appeal from a native in the country to a friend or relative in Hongkong, the prisoner would destroy the letter and substitute in its place a copy, to which was added an injunction in the criminal's own hand that a reward of \$5 should be given to the man (who of course was no other than the criminal himself) who handed over the letter.

In this way the prisoner received a goodly revenue, and a further indication of the thoroughness with which he entered into his plans is the fact that whenever these letters bore the chop of the writers, he would avoid this difficulty by having special chops, corresponding to the original ones, made and impressed on the letters he forged. It was on one of the visits the man paid to various houses, that his attempt to get money on the strength of the forged letters failed. The receiver of the letter became suspicious, and informed the Police, with the result that the prisoner was arrested.

When charged at the Police Court this morning, the prisoner pleaded guilty but denied that he had been in league with any postman. He stated that he had been refused the letters by the postmen, and had carried out a systematic search on private letter boxes.

The prisoner was sentenced to six months' hard labour by the Magistrate (Mr. N. L. Smith).

## THE GALE.

## TWO LIVES LOST.

The only mishap which has so far been heard of as being caused by the squall which visited Hongkong yesterday, is that which resulted in the loss of a sampan and the lives of two persons on board, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The sampan in question was hurrying to the Yaumati Breakwater, when the squall overtook and capsized her almost immediately off No. 3 Kowloon Godown Wharf. A Blue Funnel boat which was in the vicinity steamed up to the rescue which was carried out with difficulty on account of the rough sea. With the usual appliances a rescue was effected of three of the crew of the capsized junk, but the fourth member, a Chinese woman and her infant daughter were drowned.

As a result of the heavy rains of yesterday, a big boulder fell near the Saiwan Gap sometime last night, causing an obstruction to the road. Motor-cars cannot pass that spot, but the P.W.D. are removing the obstruction. There have been no landslips so far.

## "PRESIDENT GRANT."

## LEAVING THIS AFTERNOON.

The transport President Grant leaves this afternoon for Trieste. She will stay at Singapore and other ports of call for a few days to give the men exercise ashore. There are still 17,000 troops left at Vladivostok, and of these some 4,000 will be taken away by the Edylam, another American troopship. This vessel is destined to go by the same route as the American and President Grant, and will visit Hongkong in due course on the way to Europe.

## TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The German papers all contain violent denunciations of profiteers in wood-pulp, and though the bigger papers do not seem to be affected yet, they hint ominously at reduced issues, increased prices, amalgamations, and suspensions in the near future. One writer points out that, owing to the increased price of paper in other countries and the state of the exchange, the import of foreign books and pamphlets has almost ceased, and consequently Germany is intellectually isolated from the rest of the world. He points out to the Allied Governments that, unless they do something, Germany will not be put in possession of their views on the great international questions of the day. He also says that the German book market is being depleted by orders from abroad. It would be interesting to know how many German books are finding their way into England just now.

The recent release of the Adelphi Hotel by the Government is a happy reminder that London still boasts a few Pickwickians. It was to the Adelphi Hotel (known as Osborne's in the book) that the hapless Snodgrass brought Miss Emily Wardle after the elopement and was there discovered by the Pickwickians. In the City is the George and Vulture, where poor Winkle took refuge after his damning evidence in the famous Bardell trial. There is, too, the George at Southwark, the only galleried inn left in London. It is not expressly referred to in "Pickwick," but it was only a few yards from the White Hart, where Mr. Pickwick first met Sam Weller, and the novelist must have known it well. The elder Weller's favourite haunt, the Magpie and Stump, in Clara Market, is, alas! no more; but the Green Dragon (thinly veiled in the book as the Blue Boar) may be found in Leadenhall Market.

Those wicked people who make bets upon the "Varsity Boat-race," the results of which is very frequently a foregone conclusion, are, as a general rule, idea its influenced chiefly by sentimental or patriotic considerations, says a Home paper. The sordid souls who wager on this classic event because they wish to make money would be wise in most years to back the heavier weight. In 1876 there was only the difference of a few ounces between the two crews, but out of the remaining races no fewer than two-thirds have been won by the heavier crew, while, even in the comparatively small number of cases where the lighter crew has won, the victory has seemed due sometimes to good luck or to the bad judgment of their opponents. Oxford can boast of the heaviest man who ever rowed in this race—H. B. Kittermaster, who was 14st. 6lb. and also of the lightest—A. H. Higgins, who scaled only 9st. 7lb. when he stroked the Dark Blues, about forty years ago. Oddly enough, though, the heavier crew has generally proved victorious, the winning boat has often been stroked—as Oxford is this year—by a very light weight.

There is no American official whose functions are taken more seriously by the general public than the superintendent of the New York office of the Government Meteorological Bureau. A large part of his time is taken up by answering inquiries from business men. Produce dealers who handle perishable commodities head the list, as the fortunes of their business often hang on a slight turn in the weather. A dealer, for instance, has a cargo of onions down at the dock. It is Saturday morning, and he wants to know whether it will be safe to leave them there until Monday, or whether a cold snap threatens which will make it advisable to unload them at once and get them on the market. A New York coal company which does a very large retail business has a special man who calls at the office every day in order that it may be ready to make deliveries according to the weather; the inconvenience of a snowstorm often runs up its cost of operation as much as \$30,000 in a single day. The office is also frequently consulted by the City Street Cleaning Department. "If a wet snow falls," says the superintendent, "they want to know whether it is going to freeze up or melt away. If colder weather is coming, they must get after it in a hurry."







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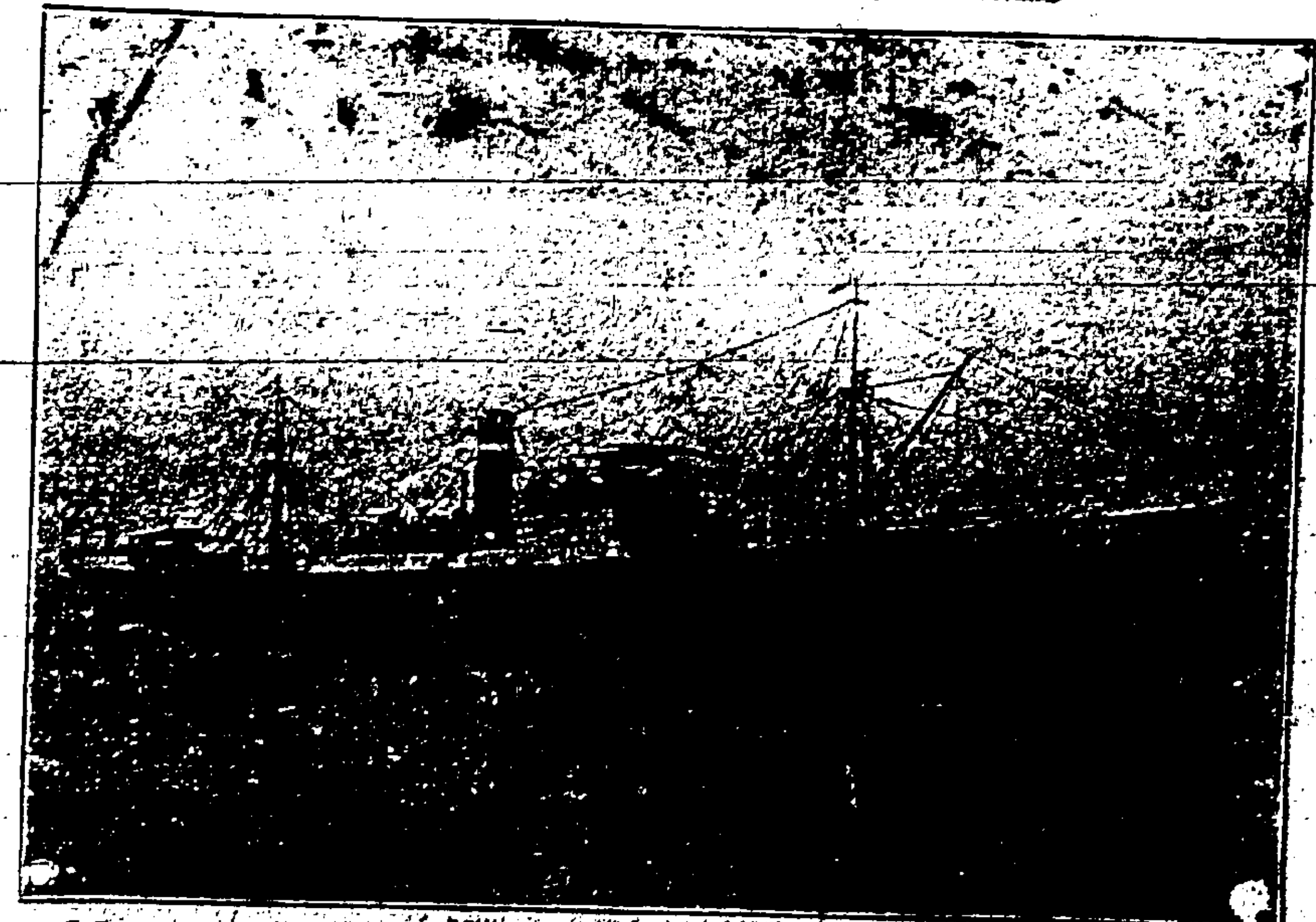
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| S.S. | Tons  | From Hongkong (about) | Destination           |
|------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| NORE | 6,700 | 11 May, noon          | M's, L'don & Antwerp. |

## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

|        |       |           |                                          |
|--------|-------|-----------|------------------------------------------|
| MUTTRA | 4,700 | 14th May. | Calcutta via Singapore Penang & Rangoon. |
|--------|-------|-----------|------------------------------------------|

## EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

|         |       |           |                                                                      |
|---------|-------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| EASTERN | 4,000 | 22nd May. | Sydney via Sandakan, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville & Brisbane. |
|---------|-------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|

## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

|               |                  |                           |
|---------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| KIDDERPORE    | 6 May, d'light.  | Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama. |
| TRAZOS-MONTES | 16th May, 4 p.m. | Kobe.                     |

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FUSHIMI MARU Tuesday, 15th June, at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez Port Said & Marseilles.

MISHIMA MARU Friday, 14th May, at noon.

SADO MARU Friday, 25th May, at noon.

HAMBURG, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

TOYOKAWA MARU Wednesday, 26th May.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via S'pore, Cebu, Suez & Port Said.

WAKASA MARU (Calling Tientsin) Thursday, 6th May.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

AKI MARU Wednesday, 19th May, at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU Wednesday, 23rd June, at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & HAVANA via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Muroran, San Francisco, Panama & Colon.

TSUYAMA MARU Thursday, 6th May.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

BOMBAY & CO. OMBO via Singapore.

TENSHIN MARU Tuesday, 11th May.

BOMBAY MARU Friday, 28th May.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

TATSUNO MARU Tuesday, 11th May.

SANUKI MARU Monday, 24th May.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

TANGO MARU Tuesday, 25th May, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TOYO MARU No. 2 Friday, 7th May.

FUKUKA MARU Saturday, 8th May.

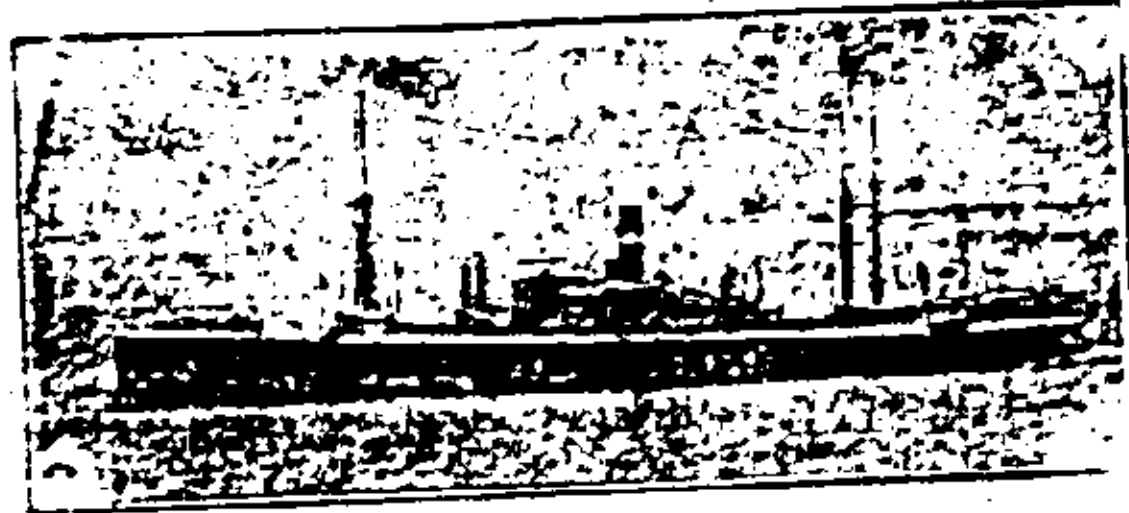
DELAGOA MARU Saturday, 8th May.

INABA MARU Thursday, 28th May, at 11 a.m.

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|-----------|----------|-------------|---------------|--------|
| Tjileboet | Java     | in port     | 8th May       | Japan. |
| Tjikini   | Makassar | in port     | 15th May      | Moji.  |
| Tjisalak  | Japan    | 18th May    | 21st May      | Java.  |

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"HAVANA MARU" Thursday, 6th May.

"HAVRE MARU" Tuesday, 8th June.

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BUENOS AIRES—Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Mauritius, Durban and Cape Town via Singapore.

"PANAMA MARU" Friday, 28th May.

"SEATTLE MARU" Middle of July.

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"SIAM MARU" Tuesday, 11th May.

"LUZON MARU" Saturday, 13th May.

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"MITSUKI MARU" Monday, 7th June.

SAIGON, BANUK & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly Service.

"UNNAN MARU" Tuesday, 1st June.

VICTORIA & VANCOUVER—Tacoma via Manila, Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yokohama.

"AFRICA MARU" (Call Manila) Saturday, 22nd May.

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KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY—These steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class saloon passengers and will arrive at and depart from the O. S. K. wharf, near the Harbour Office.

"AMAKUSA MARU" Sunday, 9th May.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

"SOSHU MARU" Thursday, 6th May.

"UNNAN MARU" (direct to Takao) Tuesday, 11th May.

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| Destination        | Steamer  | Sailing                     |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| MANILA             | Yuensang | Fri., 7th May at 3 p.m.     |
| SANDAKAN           | Chunsang | Sat., 8th May at noon.      |
| STRAITS & Calcutta | Yatshing | Sat., 8th May at 5 p.m.     |
| SHANGHAI           | Hopsang  | Tues., 11th May at d'light. |
| TIENTSIN           | Chipsang | Thur., 13th May at d'light. |
| STRAITS & Calcutta | Chaksang | Thur., 13th May at 3 p.m.   |
| KOBE               | Lalsang  | Sun., 16th May at 5 p.m.    |

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## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

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| For                   | Steamers | To Sail             |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|
| SHANGHAI              | Sunning  | 7th May at d'light. |
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO   | Chenau   | 8th May at 4 p.m.   |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK      | Chenglu  | 11th May at 10 a.m. |
| AMOI, SHAI & FUKOW    | Sy'yang  | 11th May at 4 p.m.  |
| SHANGHAI              | Sinkiang | 13th May at noon.   |
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO   | Tean     | 15th May at 4 p.m.  |
| MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO | Taming   | 25th May at 4 p.m.  |

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| Steamships | Captain        | Leaving                   |
|------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Hailong    | W. C. Passmore | FRI., 7th May at 3 p.m.   |
| Hailong    | A. H. Stewart  | TUES., 11th May at 2 p.m. |
| Hailong    | Ed. Walker     | FRI., 14th May at 2 p.m.  |

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"CITY OF COLOMBO" via Suez 13th May.

"EURYMACHUS" via Panama 25th May.

"HOWICK HALL" via Suez 27th May.

"TELEMACHUS" via Panama 10th June.

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## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. INABA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 9th April, and is expected here on the 19th May.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TSUSHIMA M. (Liverpool Line) left Liverpool for this port via Suez, on the 10th April, and is expected here on the 22nd May.

The N. Y. K. s.s. FUKUKAI M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 20th April, and is expected here on the 7th May.

The N. Y. K. s.s. AWA M. (Liverpool Line) left Glasgow for this port via Suez on the 23rd April, and is expected here on the 4th June.

The s.s. METHVEN arrived at Yokohama on 23rd April, left there 24th April, and is due at Vancouver on 15th May.

The N.Y.K. s.s. TOYO M. No. 2 (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 23rd April, and is expected here on the 6th May.

The Pacific Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of telegraphic advice from its Shanghai Office to the effect that the s.s. VENEZUELA, Voyage, 16 Out, left that Port on the 30th ult., for Manila and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, May 11th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. PENANG M. (Liverpool Line) left Glasgow for this port via Suez on the 28th April, and is expected here on the 9th June.



## TO-DAY'S PICTURES.



GERMAN REVOLUTION SCENES.

The above photos were taken during the recent German revolution, in the Unter den Linden and the Wilhelm Strasse and show revolutionary troops picketing the streets on the morning after their arrival.



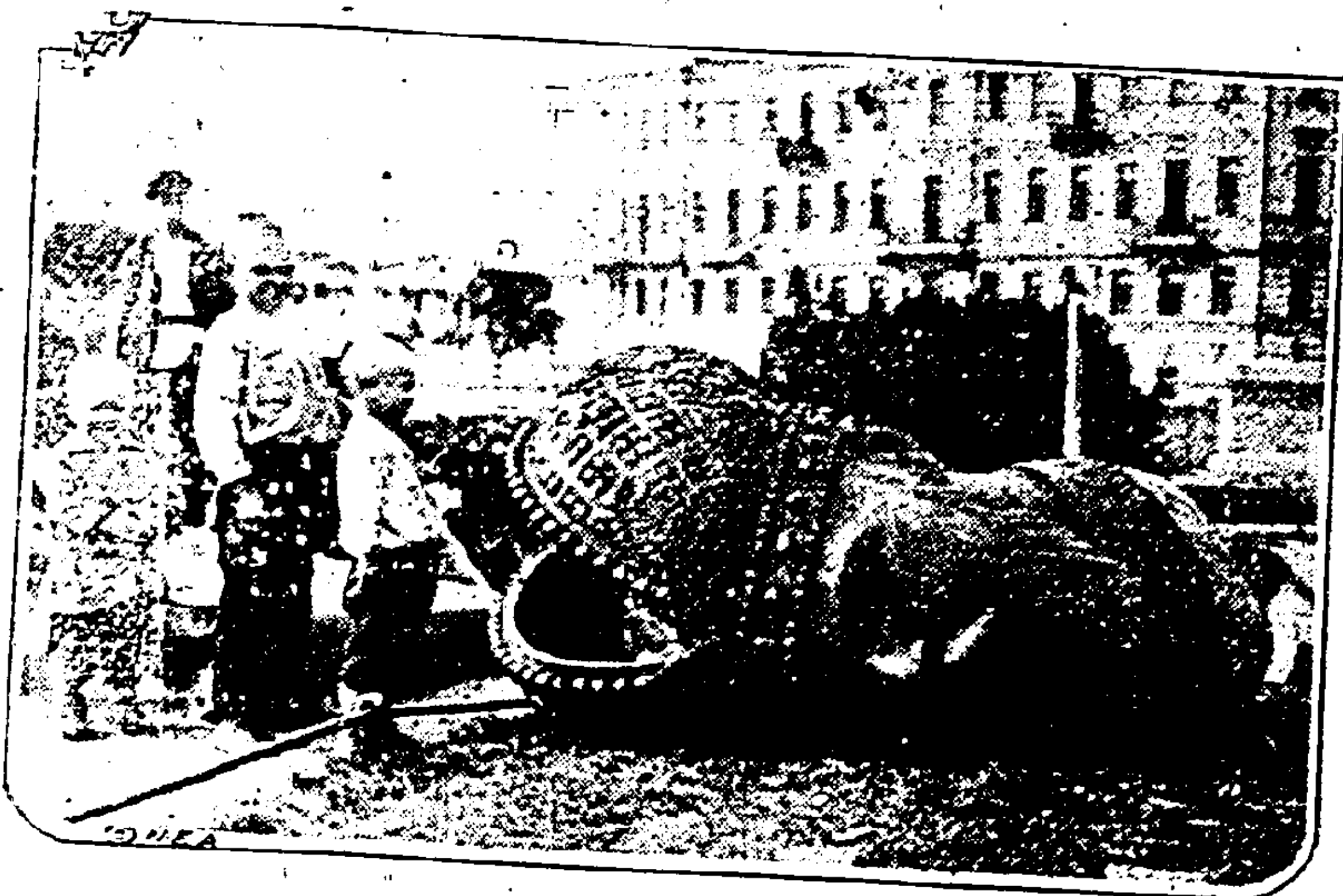
NEW GERMAN CABINET.

Members of the new German Cabinet formed after the revolution. Left to right:—Above: Herr Bauer (Minister of Economics), Dr. Bell (Minister of Transport), Herr Mueller (Premier). Below: Herr David (Minister without Portfolio), Herr Gessler (Minister of Defence), Capt. Cuno (Minister of Finance).



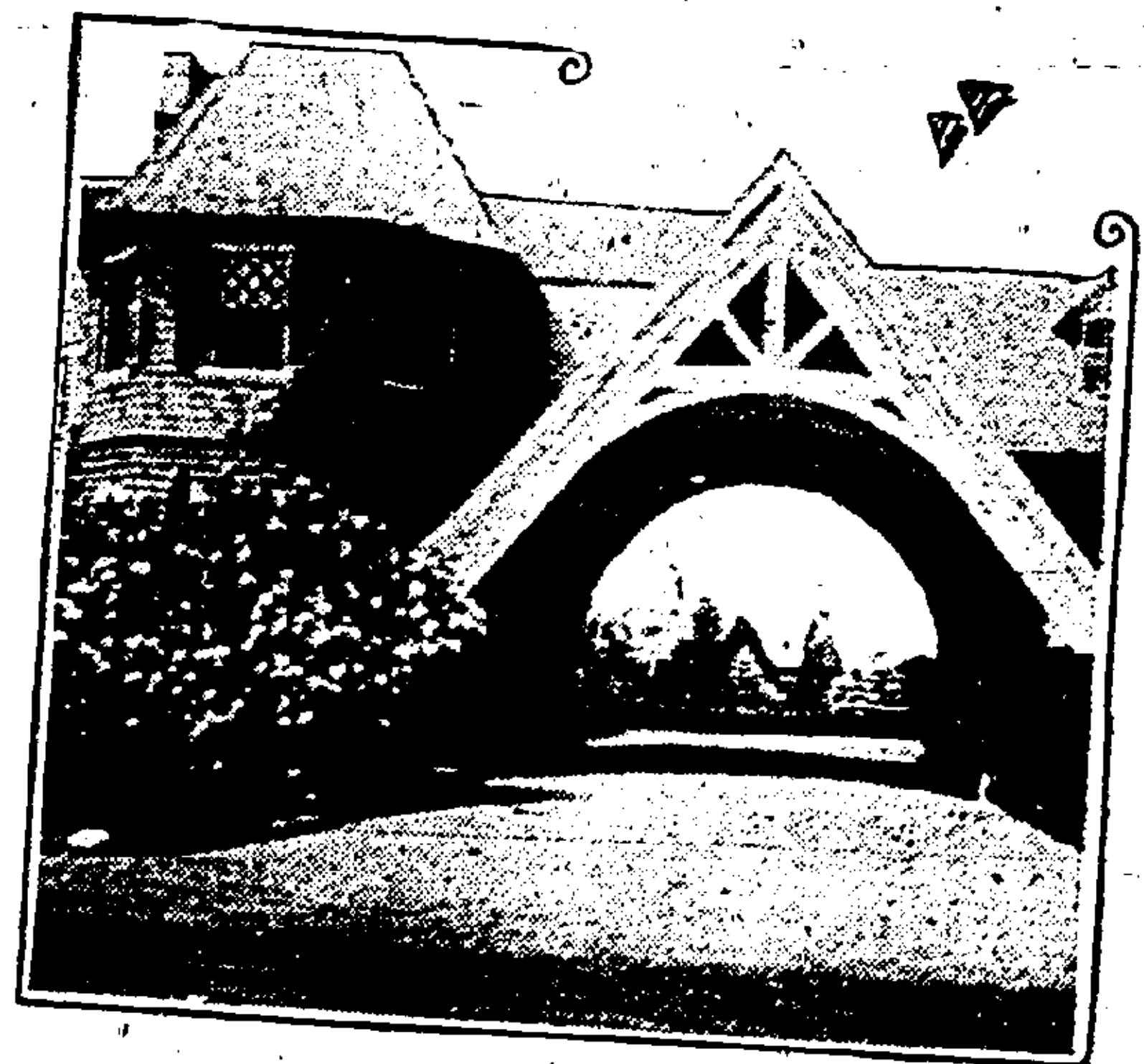
DR. VON KAPP.

who started the revolution in Germany.



OVERTHROWN RUSSIAN STATUE.

Above, Russian boys are seen looking at the giant head of Alexander III. The statue was torn down during the Republican regime. The Bolsheviks are preparing to re-erect it in a museum in Moscow.



SUMMER RESIDENCE.

Entrance to the charming residence of Mr. Charles P. Crane, the new U. S. Minister to China, where President Wilson is to spend the summer.

## DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

The Start Looks Very Promising.

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